Case CM-1808

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
AS DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE FOR INTERNATIONAL APPLICATIONS
ENTERING THE UNITED STATES NATIONAL PHASE

In the matter of   :
U.S. National Phase Enty   :
Under 35 USC 371 from   :
the International Application of   :
BENNIE   :
Int'l Application No. PCT/US 99/15491   :
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

<u>Before computing the fees</u> for entering the captioned International Application into the U.S. National Phase, please enter the following amendments **IN THE CLAIMS**:

In Claim 1, delete the phrases ",preferably at least 9.5" and ", preferably no more than about 0.15".

In Claim 2, delete the phrases ", preferably from 1.9 to 4", ", preferab;y from 0 to 20", and ", preferably no more than about 0.5"

In Claim 3, delete the phrase", preferably at least about 5:1, and more pereferably in the range from about 8:1 to about 25:1".

In Claim 4, delete the phrases ", preferably from 1.9 to 4", ", preferably from 0 to 20", and ", preferably at least 5:1".

In Claim 5, replace "any of claims 1 to 4" with –Claim 1, 2 or 4– AND also delete the phrase ", preferably from about 5% to about 20%, more preferably from about 8% to about 18%".

In Claim 6, replace "any of claims 1 to 5" with --Claim 1, 2 or 4--, AND also delete the phrase ", preferably from about 5% to about 20%, more preferably from about 8% to about 18%".

In Claim 7, replace "any of claims 1 to 6" with --Claim 1, 2 or 4--, AND also delete the phrase ", preferably from about 0.5% to about 5%, more preferably from about 0.8% to about 3%".

In Claim 8, replace "any of claims 1 to 7" with --Claim 1, 2 or 4--, AND also delete the phrases ", preferably from about 5% to about 10%", ", preferably from about 10% to about 60%", ", preferably from about 5% to about 20%", and ", preferably from about 0% to about 5%".

In Claim 9, replace "any of claims 1 to 8" with --Claim 1, 2 or 4--.

In Claim 10, replace "any of claims 1 to 9" with --Claim 1, 2 or 4--, AND also delete the phrase ", preferably atleast about 14 kg".

In Claim 11, replace "any of claims 1 to 10" with --Claim 1, 2 or 4--.

In Claim 12, replace "any of claims 1 to 11" with --Claim 1, 2 or 4--. \